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REMARKS

By the present amendments the claims have been amended to delete "antigenic fragment". This amendment has been made to expedite prosecution because of a telephonic discussion with Examiner Caputa who indicated that he would likely withdraw the \$112, first paragraph, rejection if "antigenic fragment" was deleted from the claims. This amendment is made without prejudice or disclaimer to this subject matter being submitted in a continuing or a divisional application.

Applicants further advise that they are in the process of obtaining a \$131 Declaration to swear behind Lin et al, which reference was published in April of 1992, i.e., less than one year prior to the filing date of the subject application. If the Examiner picks this case up for action before receipt of the \$131 Declaration, it would be appreciated if he would telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

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